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From: Meinholz, Susan

Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2009 8:45 AM

To: Novak, Elizabeth

Subject: FW: Legislation Preference

From: Nancy Frank [mailto:oppty@mac.com]
Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2009 8:09 AM

To: Frank Nancy

Subject: Legislation Preference

Senator -

I may not be from your district, but utilize a resource that winds through and provides recreation and aesthetic value to all people, from Wisconsin or not. It is the Ice Age National Scenic Trail. That 1,000 mile trail would benefit from the following bills, and I encourage you to support them.

Senate Bill 264 expands violation enforcement of trespass by operators of snowmobiles, ATVs and other off-road vehicles.

Senate Bill 265 creates a new \$10 million funding source (or 1% of state motor fuel taxes) for maintenance of non-motorized trails. This is not a new tax. It is funding that is currently allocated to the DOT.

Senate Bill 266 creates a Non-motorized Recreation and Transportation Trails Council to administer the funding.

Thank you,

Nancy Frank

From:

Meinholz, Susan

Sent:

Thursday, September 17, 2009 8:45 AM

To:

Novak, Elizabeth

Subject:

FW: Sen bills 264-265-266

From: Wanda & Dave Brown [mailto:wdbrown@centurytel.net]

Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2009 7:49 AM

To: Sen.Holperin

Subject: Sen bills 264-265-266

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Senate Bill 266 creates a Non-motorized Recreation and Transportation Trails Council to administer the funding.

Please support all 3 bills. Silent recreation needs support!!! thanks.

Wanda Brown APRN, CIC St. Croix Reg Medical Ctr St. Croix Fall, WI 54024 Work: 715-483-0416 Home: 715-483-9469

e-mail wk: wanda.brown@scrmc.org e-mail Hm: wdbrown@centurytel.net

From:

Meinholz, Susan

Sent:

Thursday, September 17, 2009 8:51 AM

To:

Novak, Elizabeth

Subject:

FW: Support of Senate Bills 264, 265, 266

----Original Message----

From: Dorothy Jeffries [mailto:djeff@centurytel.net]

Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2009 6:05 AM

To: Sen. Holperin

Subject: Support of Senate Bills 264, 265, 266

Dear Senator Holperin

I am writing in support of Senate Bills 264, 265, 266.

I am a user and volunteer worker on these non-motorized trails.

These trails are great for the physical, mental, and spiritual health of users! They aid in a solution to most current problems - health, energy, environment, ethics.

They need further support.

And they need more protection.

They should be patriotic trail - red, white, and blue.

A place where folks of the red and the blue persuasion meet.

And with pure white snow in winter, not dirt churned up by machines.

Thank you for your consideration!

Dorothy Jeffries Osceola, WI

From:

Meinholz, Susan

Sent:

Thursday, September 17, 2009 8:51 AM

To:

Novak, Elizabeth

Subject:

FW: [Possible Spam] Support 264,265,266

Importance: Low

From: leah bradley [mailto:haelyeldarb4@bluefrog.com]

Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2009 1:04 AM

To: Sen.Holperin; Sen.Grothman; Sen.Kedzie@legis.wisconsn.gov; Sen.Hansen; Sen.Plale; Sen.Sullivan;

Sen.Leibham

Subject: [Possible Spam] Support 264,265,266

Importance: Low

Please support these bills(264, 265, 266) for non-motorized trails in Wisconsin today!!

I am an avid user of all hiking trails and a perpetual Ice Age Trail volunteer.

Thank You!

Leah Bradley

From:

Meinholz, Susan

Sent:

Thursday, September 17, 2009 8:51 AM

To:

Novak, Elizabeth

Subject: FW: Senate Bills 264, 265 & 266

From: David Cash [mailto:deconlawrence@webtv.net] **Sent:** Wednesday, September 16, 2009 9:57 PM

To: Sen.Holperin

Subject: Senate Bills 264, 265 & 266

Please support the passage of these bills.

David and Margaret Cash Ice Age Trail members Whitewater, WI

From:

Meinholz, Susan

Sent:

Thursday, September 17, 2009 8:51 AM

To:

Novak, Elizabeth

Subject:

FW: Bill 264,265 and 266

----Original Message----

From: Lisa Ruesch [mailto:lruesch@wi.rr.com] Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2009 6:44 AM

To: Sen. Holperin

Subject: Bill 264,265 and 266

Good Morning,

As an avid user and diligent volunteer for the Ice Age Trail Alliance, I ask that you support and sign Bills 264, 265 and 266.

All of the bills will ensure our continued use and development of this important project. These bills will continue to protect the public hiking areas and allow them to develop so that even more people can enjoy them.

Please support Bills 264, 265 and 266 today.

thank you, Lisa Ruesch Brookfield, WI

From: Meinholz, Susan

Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2009 8:51 AM

To: Novak, Elizabeth

Subject: FW: SB265

From: theisen7@dwave.net [mailto:theisen7@dwave.net]

Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2009 7:25 AM

To: Sen.Holperin **Subject:** SB265

Senator Jim Holperin Please vote for SB 265.

To ride on unpaved trails safely, one needs a mountain bike or a hybrid bike.

For those who have only road bikes, paved trails are a safe transportation means. With funds from this bill trails could be paved. Nes trails could be established.

Paved trails are also a magnet for bikers from other states, & a reason for Wiconsinites to stay close to home for recreation.

This is a request from a family of 7 people who bike a lot & are acquainted with fellow biking families. The danger of biking in motorized vehicular traffic is well known to us as some of us have had incidents. The latest being with a pick up truck. The driver of the truck started after stopping as my husband was coming into the intersection. The truck had a stop sign. My husband did not ie. my husband had the right of way. My husband avoided hitting the truck, but hit the pavement & got 5 broken ribs. Thankfully, after 7 weeks, he is back to riding his bike to & from work. This is an important source of exercise for my husband. Wouldn't it be great if conditions were appropriate to motivate many others to become healthier with this energy efficient means?

Sincerely Vernell Theisen 1203 Elm St Wausau WI 54401

From: Meinholz, Susan

Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2009 8:52 AM

To: Novak, Elizabeth

Subject: FW: Please support Senate Bills 264, 265, & 266

From: Richard Wickham [mailto:wickham920@sbcglobal.net]

Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2009 9:19 PM

To: Sen.Holperin

Subject: Please support Senate Bills 264, 265, & 266

Senator,

Please support Senate Bills 264, 265, & 266 and continue to bring great cycling opportunities to the citizens and tourists of Wisconsin.

Cordially, R.J. Wickham Omro, WI

From: Meinholz, Susan

Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2009 8:52 AM

To: Novak, Elizabeth

Subject: FW: please support Senate Bills 264, 265 and 266

From: Krist Pottorff [mailto:kristpottorff@tds.net] **Sent:** Wednesday, September 16, 2009 8:05 PM

To: Sen.Holperin

Subject: please support Senate Bills 264, 265 and 266

Please support Senate Bills 264, 265 and 266

Krist Pottorff 6014 5th Ave Kenosha, Wl. 53143

From: Sent:

Meinholz, Susan

Thursday, September 17, 2009 8:52 AM

To: Subject: Novak, Elizabeth FW: SB 265

----Original Message----

From: Art & Cathy [mailto:artcathy@wi.rr.com] Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2009 7:26 PM

To: Sen. Holperin Subject: SB 265

Dear Senator Holperin,

As a cyclist I enjoy many of Wisconsin's non-motorized trails. These trails give us a safe place to ride away from traffic. Maintaining these trails in Wisconsin also gives a boost to tourism. Please support SB 265 as well as SB 264 & 266.

Thank you, Art Hicks, President, Kenosha Racine Bike Club

From: Meinholz, Susan

Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2009 8:52 AM

To: Novak, Elizabeth

Subject: FW: Senate Bill 265 Funding for Non-motorized Trail Maintenance

From: webmaster@badger-trail.com [mailto:webmaster@badger-trail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2009 8:34 PM

To: Sen.Holperin

Subject: Senate Bill 265 Funding for Non-motorized Trail Maintenance

Dear Sen. Holperin,

Please support Senate Bill 265 Funding for Non-motorized Trail Maintenance. The Badger Trail and Sugar River Trail in my community are in need of more maintenance than they are presently receiving.

Sincerely,

Jules Cappelle

Webmaster of www.badger-trail.com

From:

Meinholz, Susan

Sent:

Thursday, September 17, 2009 8:52 AM

To:

Novak, Elizabeth

Subject:

FW: Supporting Bill 265 for Trail support



----Original Message----

From: olsenriver@pcpros.net [mailto:olsenriver@pcpros.net]

Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2009 8:37 PM

To: Sen. Holperin

Subject: Supporting Bill 265 for Trail support

Hello,

I am writing to ask you to pass this bill providing money for maintenance of trails. This is a very important issue. My husband fell on a trail on Sun (Stevens Pt Green Circle) since it was soft gravel and quite a downhill.

Trails in the north especially, need good surfaces to avoid situations such as that. We have noticed that Mt Bay trail is improved, yet it still has soft areas. We bike in Florida in the winter and all trails are paved. What a difference that makes for all users!! Norther Wis communities have paved their local trails, bringing lots of users, and more income to those communities. This seems like a winner all the way around. Thank you for

considering this important improvement. Pat Olsen

From: Meinholz, Susan

Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2009 8:52 AM

To: Novak, Elizabeth

Subject: FW: Senate Bill 265

From: Jim Cullen [mailto:dibscu@prairiecraftsmen.com]

Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2009 7:03 PM

To: Sen.Holperin

Subject: Senate Bill 265

Hi Jim,

Three years ago I was diagnosed with arthritis in my knees and my orthopedic surgeon recommended doing more low impact sports (golf, swim, biking, walking, etc.) I decided to take up road biking and have found it to be a wonderful solution for my knees and a great source of exercise. I use our local bike trails on a regular basis but have also experienced trail systems in other parts of the state. Every year I see more people using our trail system, especially our paved trails. Biking is a great form of exercise, but it is also part of the solution in our quest for alternative energies and conserving energy. I would like to take this opportunity to voice my support in favor of Senate Bill 265.

Thank you,

Your cousin,

Jim Cullen

Prairie Craftsmen Inc.

839 Harding St.

Janesville, WI 53545

Work (608) 752-3750 (Voice mail Ext 202)

Fax (608) 752-4752

PS Hope all is well with you, please say hello to your mom and Jim for me.

From: Meinholz, Susan

Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2009 8:53 AM

To: Novak, Elizabeth

Subject: FW:

From: LEE HAZLETT [mailto:lee_hazlett@hughes.net] **Sent:** Wednesday, September 16, 2009 5:35 PM

To: Sen.Holperin

Subject:

Please support Bills 264, 265, 266

Lee Hazlett N2553 7th Ave Hancock,WI 54943 715-228-3193

From:

Meinholz, Susan

Sent:

Thursday, September 17, 2009 8:53 AM

To:

Novak, Elizabeth

Subject:

FW: [Possible Spam] support please

Importance: Low

From: Sharon Pomaville [mailto:sharonpomaville@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2009 5:34 PM

To: Sen.Holperin; Sen.Sullivan; Sen.Hansen; Sen.Plale; Sen.Leibham; Sen.Kedzie; Sen.Grothman

Subject: [Possible Spam] support please

Importance: Low

Please support:

Senate Bill 265, which creates a new \$10 million funding source (or 1% of state motor fuel taxes) for maintenance of non-motorized trails.

Senate Bill 266, would create a council dedicated to non-motorized recreation and transportation.

Senate Bill 264, aims to discourage trespassing of off-road motorized vehicles on non-motorized trails and properties.

Thank you,

Sharon Pomaville Salem, WI 53168

From:

Meinholz, Susan

Sent:

Thursday, September 17, 2009 8:53 AM

To: Subject:

Novak, Elizabeth FW: SB 265

----Original Message----

From: John McKenzie [mailto:mckenzie8894@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2009 6:45 PM

To: Sen.Holperin Subject: SB 265

This is to indicate my strong support for for the above bill. If we are going to be energy and health conscious, the state must continue to maintain and improve its biking resources.

John McKenzie Fort Atkinson, Wi

From: Meinholz, Susan

Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2009 8:53 AM

To: Novak, Elizabeth

Subject: FW: Please support

From: Jan & Mike Bauer [mailto:caw@lakeland.ws] Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2009 5:11 PM

To: Sen.Holperin

Subject: Please support

Senate Bills 264, 265 and 266

Mike Bauer Cushing WI

From:

Meinholz, Susan

Sent:

Thursday, September 17, 2009 8:55 AM

To:

Novak, Elizabeth

Subject:

FW: [Possible Spam] support senate bills 264 primarily, and also 265, 266

Importance: Low

From: b delaney [mailto:bdelaney1@centurytel.net]
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2009 4:29 PM

To: Sen.Holperin; Sen.Kedzie; Sen.Grothman; Sen.Leibham; Sen.Hansen; Sen.Plale; Sen.Sullivan

Subject: [Possible Spam] support senate bills 264 primarily, and also 265, 266

Importance: Low

Greetings,

My name is Barb Delaney and I am a plant ecologist/botanist contractor. I work in northern Wisconsin and northern Minnesota for various government agencies and conservation groups. I have seen first-hand the long-lasting, negative impacts of motorized off-road vehicles on our native forest and wetland habitats when the vehicles do not abide by the rules and stay on designated motorized trails on public land. Please support the important change in wording provided in SB 264.

I am also in support of SB 265 and 266.

Thank you, Barb Delaney 1038 200th St Dresser, WI 54009 tel 715-294-3635

From: Meinholz, Susan

Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2009 8:55 AM

To: Novak, Elizabeth

Subject: FW: Please support SB 264, SB 265 and SB 266

From: Marvin Wanders [mailto:marvin@threesixty.bz] Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2009 4:07 PM

To: Sen. Holperin

Subject: Please support SB 264, SB 265 and SB 266

Please support SB 264, SB 265 and SB 266

Marvin Wanders
119 N 19th Street
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From: Meinholz, Susan

Sent: Tuesday, September 22, 2009 1:10 PM

To: Novak, Elizabeth

Subject: FW: In Support of Senate Bills 264, 265, and 266

From: Richard Aylward [mailto:raylward@att.net]
Sent: Monday, September 21, 2009 9:42 AM

To: Sen. Holperin

Cc: Sen.Grothman; Sen.Kedzie; Sen.Leibham; Sen.Hansen; Sen.Plale; Sen.Sullivan; Michael Robillard; Amy

Aylward

Subject: In Support of Senate Bills 264, 265, and 266

Sen. Holperin,

Fist off, I hope that I am not too late. I realize that the TTFNR subcommittee meeting was on Sept. 17th. Unfortunately, this came to my attention far too late for me to respond prior to that meeting. I am copying the TTFNR committee. To all of you - if Senate bills 264, 265, and 266 are still alive then please tally our support.

My name is Richard Aylward. My wife Amy and I manage and own Tara Lila LLC. Tara Lila was created to purchase land in Vilas and Oneida counties for the express purpose of long-term conservation and public trail development. At 1500 acres and growing, It is an entirely altruistic private enterprise. We are not a 501(c)(3) and are entirely funded from private assets. In addition, we are 2009 Pathfinder Award winners for our support of silent trails in the Fox River Valley through Fox Cities Greenways. As a state legislator I hope that you can respect the significance of that and lend me your attention for a few minutes.

You may know my name from two or three places. First, Amy and I were regular supporters of Trees' youth education programs during your tenure. Second, I may be mistaken but I believe you took a bike ride on the Three Eagle Trail last year with Gov. Doyle and that bike ride included Mike Robillard. Mike is our Property Manager responsible for public trail development on our Oneida and Vilas County lands. In addition to participating in the the Oneida County Biking and Walking Trail Council and it's subcommittees Tara Lila has a seat on the Three Eagle Trail Foundation board. I believe you know Three Eagle Trail Foundation president Tom Rulseh as well. Without Tom Rulseh, Tara Lila may not exist and I would not be writing this.

Tara Lila is committed to silent trail development in the area. This is demonstrated by our willingness to give our own time, money, land, and sweat to make Eagle River and the surrounding region a "goto" destination for silent sport enthusiasts.

We are currently in the process of organizing a silent trails advocacy group for Vilas and Northern Oneida County. This group would attempt to coordinate activities between disparate, smaller trail groups as well as create a central communication pipeline for dealings with NCWRPC, state and federal agencies, and other NGOs. Our initial meeting was a resounding success and it was clear that there is a very real need and enthusiasm for such a group.

The reason I mention this group is that Senate Bills 264, 265, and 266 have the potential to make our efforts more effective. I can almost guarantee you that, were a vote to be held, our group would overwhelming support those bills. I only wish we would have started sooner and had the opportunity to petition the state as a united force. As it is, I will be passing along information on the referenced bills to the attendees of our initial meeting and asking them all to email you and your colleagues in support of these bills.

I feel compelled to add is this - the people that will form the core of our group - and support silent trails in general - are not all of one political persuasion. We are not all Democrats or Republicans, liberal or conservative. But we all care about the future of tourism in Vilas and Oneida Counties as more people seek healthier forms of recreation, alternate "greener" forms of transportation, and lees aggressive ways of enjoying our peerless Northern woodlands. Please help us launch our endeavor with a tail wind by supporting WI Senate Bills 264, 265, and 266.

In addition, should Senate Bill 266 eventually become law, I encourage you to solicit our group for council members by contacting me directly. The background and mix of the proposed council is similar to that of our own fledgling association.

On behalf of Tara Lila and the Vilas/Oneida silent sport community I thank you very much,

Richard "Dick" Aylward

Tara Lila LLC/Mushy Lake LLC 1155 Irish Road Neenah WI 54956 Phone: 920-727-1656 iPhone: 920-540-5023

Vilas/Oneida Operations 571 Bloom Road Eagle River WI 54521 Phone: 920-727-1656

raylward@att.net

CC: Sen. Grothman, Sen. Kedzie, Sen. Leibham, Sen. Plale, Sen. Sullivan Amy Aylward, Tara Lila LLC Michael Robillard, Tara Lila LLC

From: Meinholz, Susan

Sent: Tuesday, September 22, 2009 1:10 PM

To: Novak, Elizabeth

Subject: FW: Senate Bill 265

From: Joe Groshek [mailto:jgroshek@bayfield.k12.wi.us]

Sent: Monday, September 21, 2009 10:19 AM

To: Sen.Holperin

Subject: Senate Bill 265

Dear Senator Holperin, Please support Senate Bill 265. We need the bike trails and paths to support the residents and visitors who are biking in Bayfield County. I am from Washburn. We need more of a biking transportation network here. thank you. Joe Groshek

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From:

Meinholz, Susan

Sent:

Tuesday, September 22, 2009 1:13 PM

To:

Novak, Elizabeth

Subject:

FW: [Possible Spam] SB 265 Support

Importance: Low

From: Doug Booth [mailto:cominggoodboom@gmail.com]

Sent: Sunday, September 20, 2009 8:55 AM

To: Sen.Holperin; Sen.Grothman; Sen.Kedzie; Sen.Leibham; Sen.Hansen; Sen.Plale; Sen.Sullivan

Subject: [Possible Spam] SB 265 Support

Importance: Low

Hello,

I love biking on Wisconsin's great trails and fully support added funding for nonmotorized trail maintenance.

Sincerely, Doug Booth 2111 East Beverly Rd. Milwaukee, WI 53211

From:

Meinholz, Susan

Sent:

Tuesday, September 22, 2009 1:13 PM

To:

Novak, Elizabeth

Subject: FW: SB 265

From: James [mailto:jmedved1@wi.rr.com] Sent: Sunday, September 20, 2009 9:50 PM

To: Sen.Holperin Subject: SB 265

Senator Holperin,

I am writing to voice my support for SB 265. As a biker, I realize the importance of the maintenance of non-motorized trails. These trails really do enhance the total community. I hope you agree and can support this bill.

James Medved jmedved1@wi.rr.com

From: Meinholz, Susan

Sent: Tuesday, September 22, 2009 2:17 PM

To: Novak, Elizabeth

Subject: FW: Senate Bill 265

From: Tom Walsh [mailto:Tom.Walsh@omnni.com]

Sent: Friday, September 18, 2009 2:14 PM

To: Sen.Holperin

Subject: Senate Bill 265

Sen. Holperin,

As an avid bicyclists and proponent of trails and the Safe Routes to School Programs in my area I am voicing strong support for SB 265. Please let me know if there is anything else I can do to help get passage of this bill.

Tom Walsh N320 Breezewood Drive Appleton, WI 54915

twalsh@new.rr.com

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From:

Meinholz, Susan

Sent:

Tuesday, September 22, 2009 2:18 PM

To:

Novak, Elizabeth

Subject:

FW: [Possible Spam] non-motorized funding YES

Importance: Low

From: Joy Hagen [mailto:joyous4all@new.rr.com] Sent: Friday, September 18, 2009 10:57 AM

To: Sen.Holperin; Sen.Grothman; Sen.Kedzie; Sen.Leibham; Sen.Plale; Sen.Sullivan

Cc: joyous4all@new.rr.com

Subject: [Possible Spam] non-motorized funding YES

Importance: Low

September

Dear Wisconsin Senators:

Senate Bill 265- please support this bill! I have recently started a trails advocacy group in Appleton/Grand Chute, WI called North STARS, and am really excited about how quickly my group is growing. Citizens want more trails! Pleas support Bill 265, as well as Bills 264 and 266. We the citizens of Wisconsin need all three of these bills to pass. This is how we want our tax dollars spent.......for trails which benefit people of all ages and all income brackets for the benefit of citizen's health and the health of our environment. Please pass these bills.

Sincerely,

Joy Hagen 55 N Meadow Row Ct. Appleton, WI 54913

920-734-6455

From:

Meinholz, Susan

Sent:

Tuesday, September 22, 2009 2:49 PM

To:

Novak, Elizabeth

Subject:

FW: Senate Bills 264-265-266

----Original Message----

From: Bruce & Ruby Jaecks [mailto:brjaecks@dwave.net]

Sent: Thursday, January 01, 1998 3:48 AM

To: Sen.Holperin

Subject: Senate Bills 264-265-266

Dear Senator Holprerin

Please consider passage of the 3 Senate Bills- 264-265-266. They are very important to non-motorized trail users. Hiking has become a way of life for us. The health benefits and enjoyment of the trails is tremendous. We are Ice Age trail members and feel we have benifitted greatly from the trail system .

Thank you

Bruce and Ruby Jaecks

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From:

Meinholz, Susan

Sent:

Tuesday, September 22, 2009 2:49 PM

To:

Novak, Elizabeth

Subject:

FW: Please support these bills!

----Original Message----

From: Steven Meurett [mailto:smeurett@yahoo.com]

Sent: Friday, September 18, 2009 7:38 AM

To: Sen. Holperin

Subject: Please support these bills!

Dear Senator Holperin,

I am writing to ask your support of the following bills-We feel these would greatly benefit the non-motorized community in Wisconsin. As a volunteer for the past 26 years working on public trails here in Clark County and other locations in the state, I can say from firsthand experience how important passage of these bills would be for our "silent Sports" in Wisconsin.

Senate Bill 265 Funding for Non-motorized Trail Maintenance Senate Bill 265 would create a much needed funding source for the maintenance of Wisconsin's non-motorized trails. The bill would allocate \$10 million or 1 percent of state motor fuel taxes, whichever is less, to be spent on the maintenance of non-motorized trails.

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources would administer the program in manner similar to existing programs that support motorized trails. This bill would grant local nonprofits and governments money to maintain existing non-motorized trails.

The bill was supported by the Special Committee on Enhancing Recreational Trails for Non-motorized Use, and it has received support from the horseback riding community and the Bike Fed.

Senate Bill 266 Non-motorized Recreation and Transportation Council Senate Bill 266 would create a council dedicated to non-motorized recreation and transportation.

Senate Bill 264 Trespassing Penalties for off-road motor vehicles Senate Bill 264 aims to discourage trespassing of off-road motorized vehicles on non-motorized trails and properties.

Thank you, Steve Meurett President Neillsville Area Trail Association

From: Meinholz, Susan

Sent: Tuesday, September 22, 2009 2:54 PM

To: Novak, Elizabeth

Subject: FW: Support for SB-264, SB-265, and SB-266

From: Darren Salsbury [mailto:DSalsbury@Pacific-Cycle.com]

Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2009 1:07 PM

To: Sen.Holperin

Subject: Support for SB-264, SB-265, and SB-266

Dear Senator Holperin,

As a member of the bicycle industry here in Wisconsin, the Bicycle Federation of Wisconsin, and the International Mountain Bike Association I am urging you to support the following measures. I feel these are important steps to making our state flourish economically, environmentally, and lead to healthier lives. Thanks in advance for you attention to these matters.

Senate Bill 265 Funding for Non-motorized Trail Maintenance

Senate Bill 265 would create a much needed funding source for the maintenance of Wisconsin's non-motorized trails. The bill would allocate \$10 million or 1 percent of state motor fuel taxes, whichever is less, to be spent on the maintenance of non-motorized trails.

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Senate Bill 264 aims to discourage trespassing of off-road motorized vehicles on non-motorized trails and properties.

Best regards,

Darren Salsbury

Director of Product Development - Mongoose

Cycling Sports Group 4902 Hammersley Rd. Madison, WI 53711 direct: 608-268-8913 toll free: 800-666-8813 x8913 fax: 608-268-8366 email: dsalsbury@mongoose.com skype: bikegeek



From: Meinho

Meinholz, Susan

Sent:

Tuesday, September 22, 2009 2:55 PM

To:

Novak, Elizabeth

Subject: FW: Senate Bill 265

From: stan rosenstiel [mailto:mrstanmr@yahoo.com] **Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2009 12:16 PM

To: Sen.Holperin

Subject: Senate Bill 265

Stan Rosenstiel 7843 32nd Ave Kenosha, 53142

Dear Sir,

I am in favor of Senate Bill 265 and hope that you will support it.

This bill will supply much needed funding for bicycle trails and other bicycling related activities.

Thank you.

From: Meinholz, Susan

Sent: Tuesday, September 22, 2009 2:57 PM

To: Novak, Elizabeth

Subject: FW: Senate bills 264,265,266

From: Jeannie Kant [mailto:kantcon@pressenter.com]

Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2009 10:09 AM

To: Sen.Holperin

Subject: Senate bills 264,265,266

Although we cannot attend the hearing today, we are writing in support of these bills. We are active members of the Ice Age Trail Alliance, helping to build and maintain non-motorized trails. We would very much like to see them pass. Thank you.

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From:

Meinholz, Susan

Sent:

Tuesday, September 22, 2009 2:57 PM

To:

Novak, Elizabeth

Subject: FW: We want trails to bike on!!

From: Crass, Sara [mailto:Sara_Crass@trekbikes.com] **Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2009 10:13 AM

To: Sen.Holperin

Subject: We want trails to bike on!!

Please support Senate Bill 265 which creates a vital \$10 million (or 1% of state motor fuel taxes) for maintenance of non-motorized trails.

Also please support SB 266 & SB 264 so we can advance the sport of cycling in WI. Cycling is making a HUGE impact on the state, it brings in tons of revenue from local bike companies, it saves \$ in health care costs because people are being pro-active with healthy lifestyles & it reduces our impact on the environment. Please please support these efforts!

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FW: [Possible Spam] SB 265 - Support of using 1% of gas tax

Importance: Low

From: Rettig, Krista [mailto:Krista_Rettig@trekbikes.com]

Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2009 9:45 AM

To: Sen.Holperin; Sen.Sullivan; Sen.Plale; Sen.Hansen; Sen.Leibham; Sen.Kedzie; Sen.Grothman

Subject: [Possible Spam] SB 265 - Support of using 1% of gas tax

Importance: Low

I had planned to be at the public hearing today at 10am and was just called out to a meeting. So I am writing to ask your support of Senate Bill 265 - Funding for Non-motorized Trail Maintenance. I ask that you support the bill for these reasons:

I work at Trek and we are a \$750 million dollar business in the State of Wisconsin, employing over 1000 people. We are just one of several manufacturers in Wisconsin in the Bike industry which totals well over \$1.6 Billion Dollars in Wisconsin and 2000 jobs.

Well maintained non motorized trails are very important to us for obvious reasons. Safer, better trails have a direct correlation to increased sales. This has been proven all over the country and all over the world. Our neighbors in Lanesboro, MN a town of 800, did an economic impact study on the bike trails in their community and found it added over \$5 million dollars to their revenue, in a town of only 800 people. So the impact of well maintained trails goes beyond bike sales, it improves tourism, and improves quality of life.

Currently in Wisconsin we don't have a reliable, consistent source of funding for these trails. These trails are used for both recreation but also for transportation. They provide a means for people to commute to work, get to schools, pick up groceries and visit local restaurants or coffee shops. When people choose to use these trails instead of their cars, we are decreasing the number of cars on the roads, decreasing congestion, carbon emissions reliance on foreign oil and ultimately it's getting people moving. Moving from sitting in cars to moving their bodies. By having these trails we providing healthy and effective alternate transportation options.

As a state which the CDC has determined to be one of the fattest states in the Union Wisconsin needs to take a progressive and proactive approach at offering alternative safe and effective means of getting active and commuting to work and schools. Well safe, well maintained trails are a great and yet simple solution.

It would be great if each committee and each legislator would recognize the need for simple solutions to these health issues and do something to within their means to help find a solution. Using this gas tax to provide consistent and reliable means to maintain these very important trails is a small but very effective means to help with the solution.

I urge you today to vote in favor of SB 265 and help both the bike industry in Wisconsin and our youth in Wisconsin by creating a better future.

Thank you, Krista Rettig Trek Bicycle Corp 801 West Madison Street Waterloo, WI 53594 ph: 1.920.478.2191 ext. 12289 cell: 920.397.0216 Krista_Rettig@Trekbikes.com